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SUBJECT: SOVIET AN-26 DEMONSTRATION FLIGHT

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1. GOVERNMENT PRESS BULLETIN, MADAGASCAR PRESSE, REPORTED MAR 8 THAT SOVIETS DEMONSTRATED ANTONOV AN-26 TURBOPROP AT IVATO AIRBASE (ALSO TANANARIVE'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT) FOR TWO HOURS MAR 6. ACCORDING TO REPORT, DEMONSTRATION FLIGHT CARRIED 27 PASSENGERS, AND THREE VEHICLES, DROPPED AN AVIAEXPORT INSTRUCTOR BY PARACHUTE, AND FLEW ON ONLY "ONE OF ITS TWO ENGINES" FOR A FEW MINUTES. COMMENT: IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER 27 PASSENGERS AND THREE VEHICLES CARRIED TOGETHER ON SAME FLIGHT OR WHETHER 1900 LBS THRUST AUXILIARY TURBOJET WAS USED DURING "ONE-ENGINE" DEMONSTRATION.

2. REPORTEDLY AN-26 CAME TO TANANARIVE AFTER DEMONSTRATIONS IN ETHIOPIA AND TANZANIA, AND DEPARTED TANANARIVE MAR 7. BARRETT

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